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For (Title):

FUEL REFORMING APPARATUS AND METHOD

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\boxtimes	Formal drawings (Fig	s. 1-6; 5 sheets) are attached.		
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This patent application is assigned to TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA.

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 \boxtimes Priority of foreign application No. 2000-172396 filed June 8, 2000 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

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